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HARPER HOUSE
On "The Hill", near Augusta
Richmond County
Georgia

Owner: A.W.Harper.

Date of Erection: 1795.

Architect and Builder: No record.

Present Condition: Good.

Number of Stories: Two.

<u>Materials</u> of <u>Construction</u>: Wood.

Other Existing Records: See text.

Additional Data: See following pages.

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HARPER HOUSE
On"the Hill", two miles from Augusta
Richmond County
Georgia

HISTORICAL AND ARCHITECTURAL NOTES:

The house was built as a home in 1795 by George Walton, a signer of the Declaration of Independence and the first Governor of Georgia. 1 It is now owned, occupied and well maintained by A.W. Harper.

The two storey frame house has a double decker porch extending the full length of the front. The columns are square, on pedestals, and support elliptical arches. The center of the seven bays is wider than the others. The balustrade is made up of $5/8^n$ by $1 1/4^n$ lattice-work in a cross stick pattern. ²

The gable chimneys are of the freestanding variety. Inside the house there are reeded mantels with sunbursts, a low wainscoffing in the living room and #Medstairway in the shape of a "U". 2

1 Given by Mrs. James E. Harper.

2 H.C.F.

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